

UNITED STATES PROBATION OFFICE  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF UTAH

**Petition and Order for Action on Conditions of Pretrial Release**

Name of Defendant: Merlin Shields

Docket Number: 2:22CR00413-001

Name of Judicial Officer: Honorable Jared C. Bennett  
U.S. Magistrate Judge

Date of Release: February 8, 2023

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**PETITIONING THE COURT**

To issue a Summons:

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**CAUSE**

The pretrial officer believes that the defendant has violated the conditions of supervision as follows:

**Allegation No. 1:** On or about January 10, 2024, the defendant used or unlawfully possess a narcotic drug or other controlled substances; to wit: Methamphetamine.

Evidence in support of this allegation: On January 10, 2024, the defendant submitted a drug screen with Judicial Supervision Services (JSS). Results of this drug screen were positive for amphetamine. The United States Pretrial Services Office was advised of this result on January 18, 2024, and sent the sample for confirmation testing. On January 29, 2024, lab results confirmed the presence of methamphetamine in the provided sample.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.



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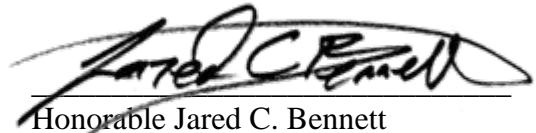
By Caroline Bye-Routh  
U.S. Pretrial Services Officer  
Date: January 29, 2024

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**THE COURT ORDERS:**

- ☐ The issuance of a Summons  
☐ The issuance of a Warrant  
☐ No action  
☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ Expedited hearing set for: 2/6/2024 at 10:30 a.m.  
before U.S. Magistrate Judge JARED C. BENNETT courtroom 7.100

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jared C. Bennett", written over a horizontal line.

Honorable Jared C. Bennett  
U.S. Magistrate Judge

Date: January 29, 2024